



USOMC proudly presents

**Thirty-Second Annual
United States Open Music Competition
Prize Winners' Concerts**

Friday | February 23rd, 2024 | Concert 1 | 3:30PM - 6:30PM

Friday | February 23rd, 2024 | Concert 2 | 6:30PM - 9:00PM

Saturday | February 24th, 2024 | Concert 3 | 12:30PM - 3:30PM

Saturday | February 24th, 2024 | Concert 4 | 3:30PM - 5:30PM

Saturday | February 24th, 2024 | Concert 5 | 5:30PM - 7:30PM

Saturday | February 24th, 2024 | Concert 6 | 7:30PM - 9:00PM

Auditorium

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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

We gratefully acknowledge the following organizations and individuals for their tremendous help in the past as well as in this year's competition. We owe much of our success to them and want to express our sincere gratitude.

The Oakland Inter-Stake Center (Mormon Temple of Oakland) once again graciously accommodates us with the use of its facilities. We are grateful to Amy Taylor for her support of USOMC. We so appreciate being able to hold the Annual Competition in this beautiful setting of the Oakland hills.

Steinway & Sons, with special thanks to Chrissy Huang, for their steadfast support in providing nine impeccable Steinway Grands to USOMC since 2008. Their dedication has empowered countless young musicians to deliver their best performances. For this, we are truly grateful.

The Samuel Tak Lee Charitable Foundation offered an unprecedented monetary donation in memory of Dr. Billy Loo Sr. to perpetually support the operation of USOMC. We are awed by this gesture of love.

Dr. Sean May has been a faithful supporter, both physically and financially ever since 2013. We are indebted to him.

The BWL Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund was established in July 2016 to provide prizes for the Annual Master Classes.

We are especially grateful to *Drs. Shantha & Philip Ursell* for investing thirty years of their time as well as financial support. They have served as President, Board members for many years and are still enthusiastic supporters of USOMC.

The USOMC Adjudicators, enthusiastically support the competition by availing to us their time, expertise, talent and love of music, which together are phenomenal contributions to the competition. We are especially indebted to Dr. Scott Holden, who has been a long-time Adjudicator for USOMC. He will give a piano concert as the **2024 Featured Artist** as well as the presenter of the 2024 Master-Class on Sunday February 25th, 2024.

Thank you all!

The USOMC Board of Directors

USOMC SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION DONORS

**The Samuel Tak Lee Charitable Foundation
(in memory of Dr. B.W. Loo Sr.) \$250,000**

Dr. B.W. L. Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund – \$11,000

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Jonathan Tsao \$700

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Michael Yang \$100

Timothy Zhou \$100

\$6000 Total Scholarships will be awarded the best Outstanding Gold Medalists at the 2024 Prize Winners' Concerts (as decided by the Concert Adjudicators) from the Samuel Tak Lee Scholarship Foundation.

Winners and Alternates for the 2024 Master-Class, as recommended by the adjudicators of the Showcase Piano Solo Events and Dr. Scott Holden to participate in the Master-Class and to receive \$50/\$100 awards from the BWL Memorial Scholarship Fund.

**Please Mark Your
Calendars for the
Tentative Dates for
The 33rd Annual
USOMC**

February 17 - 23, 2025

USOMC 2024 Prize Winners' Concert

Master of Ceremony & Award Presenters

Emcee for Prizewinners' Concerts Friday & Saturday – Ms. Angela Lui:

Angela Lui is the Managing Director and Head of Business Development at Prytania Asset Management, a London-based structured credit specialist, responsible for new business opportunities and institutional distribution. Before joining Prytania, Angela was the Global Head of Business Development at Schultze Asset Management, a distressed securities and event-driven hedge fund. Prior to that, Angela held various roles focused on driving sales efforts, overseeing investor and consultant relations, and designing business initiatives to expand the client base at firms including Sibilla Capital, Autonomy Capital, and Malbec Partners, an alternatives investment management company owned by BNP Paribas Asset Management. Ms. Lui received a gold medal in the 2000 United States Open Music Competition for a piano duo. Ms. Lui sits on the Board of Governors at the National Arts Club, a major arts institution. Ms. Lui received a BSc Degree in Business Administration from the Walter Haas School of Business at the University of California, Berkeley.

Award Presenter Friday 3:30 pm Concert No.1 – Ms. Katherine Dang:

Chairman of the USOMC Board of Directors; teacher, author, conference speaker, educational consultant, founder and president of Philomath Foundation, a non-profit organization, with national and international educational outreach in Latin America.

Award Presenter Friday 3:30 pm Concert No.1 – Prof. Zai-Feng Chen:

Yan Tai University Professor; Head of Academic Committee of the Music Department. Professor of Piano at the Central Conservatory of Music, and Adjunct Professor at the School of Arts, Jilin University. She is also the Director of the Global Elite Chinese Association for the promotion of relationships between China & Chinese overseas. Prof. Chen has been a key promoter of the USOMC in China and has been responsible for bringing numerous, talented students from various parts of China to the USOMC for the past twenty years..

Award Presenter Friday 6:30 pm Concert No.2 – Ms. Chrissy Huang:

Manager of Steinway & Sons, Los Altos – a strong advocate for the welfare of USOMC, she is responsible for bringing the best pianos – nine Steinway Concert Grands to the week-long US Open Music Competitions annually since 2008.

Award Presenter Saturday 12:30 pm Concert No.3 – Dr. Sean May:

M.D., FACP, FACG, Diplomat of American Board of Internal Medicine; Subspecialty Board of Gastroenterology; Added Qualification – Board in Geriatric Medicine; Fellow of American College of Physician and Fellow of American College of Gastroenterology. He is also an in-depth Bible Scholar

Outstanding Gold Medalists Award Presenter – Dr. Jennie Lee:

Saturday 12:30 pm Concert No.3

Dr. Jennie Lee received her Bachelor's degree from HK University. She was later awarded an honorary Doctorate from Ling Nan University in HK.

Dr. Jennie Lee and her late husband, Dr. Shiu Lee, have been long-time supporters of the USOMC. Thirty years ago, when we were struggling with finances, she visited

from Hong Kong, after hearing of our dilemma, being compassionate on education for young people, she wrote a check for \$5000 to support USOMC on the spot.

Award Presenter Sat. 3:00 pm Concert No.4 – David Viera

David Viera is currently serving as the Director of the Temple Hill Events Council at the Oakland Interstake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. In this role, he helps to identify and bring cultural events, musical performances, performing arts, and visual arts to Temple Hill for attendees in the greater Bay Area and beyond. Prior to this service, he worked for more than three decades as a director of Corporate Communications for high-tech companies in the region.

Award Presenter Sat. 5:30 pm Concert No.5 – Dr. Philip Ursell:

Award Presenter Sat. 7:30 pm Concert No.6 – Dr. Philip Ursell:

Dr. Ursell, M.D., formerly professor of Pathology at UCSF. Dr. Ursell has been a continuous supporter of the USOMC. As a past president, he has served, together with his wife, Dr. Shantha Ursell, M.D., as directors of the board and have given of themselves freely both financially and physically for 30 years.

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1. SHOWCASE PIANO SOLO JUNIOR 1

Ravelio Prasetya

Bach: Sinfonia from Partita #2 , BWV 826 in C Minor

2. TREASURY OF BAROQUE COMPOSERS INTERMEDIATE 3

Jeremy Yeoh

Bach: Invention No. 6 in E Major BWV 777

3. TREASURY OF CLASSICAL COMPOSERS INTERMEDIATE 2

Jonathan Chen

J. Myslivecek: Divertimento No. 6 in C Major

4. TREASURY OF USA COMPOSERS INTERMEDIATE 2

Ryan Liu

V. Capers: Bossa Brasilia

5. TREASURY OF ROMANTIC COMPOSERS INTERMEDIATE 2

Shihan Tang

Chopin: Valse Op.70 No.1 in Gb Major (Fontana Version)

6. TREASURY OF 20TH-21ST CENTURY COMPOSERS INTERMEDIATE

Van Giang Chu

K. Tanaka: Tiger

7. SHOWCASE PIANO SOLO JUNIOR 2

William Chen

Glinka: The Lark

8. TREASURY OF BAROQUE COMPOSERS INTERMEDIATE 4

Phabian Parra

Bach: Invention No. 6 in E Major BWV 777

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9. TREASURY OF CLASSICAL COMPOSERS INTERMEDIATE 3

Kaylee Zhou

Beethoven: Bagatelle in F Major Op. 33, No. 3

10. TREASURY OF ROMANTIC COMPOSERS INTERMEDIATE 3

Lucas Xu

Chopin: Valse Op.18 in Eb major

11. OPEN SOLO 5A

Kenny Li

Soler: Sonata in G Major

12. OPEN SOLO 5B

Grace Xie

Beethoven: Adagio cantabile from Sonata Op. 13

13. OPEN SOLO 5C

Gabriella Kant

Chopin: Fantaisie-Impromptu Op, 66 in C# Minor (Fontana Version)

14. SHOWCASE PIANO SOLO JUNIOR 3

Jaylen Wei

Schubert: Impromptu, Op. 90 #3 in Gb Major

15. SHOWCASE INSTRUMENTAL SOLO INTERMEDIATE 1

Jennifer Kang

*Gyula Dávid: Vivace (3rd mvt) from Concerto
accomp. Dr. Alison Lee*

16. TREASURY OF BAROQUE COMPOSERS INTERMEDIATE 5

Minh-Hieu Vu

Bach: Invention No. 2 in C Minor BWV 773

17. TREASURY OF CLASSICAL COMPOSERS INTERMEDIATE 4

Austin Lin

J. Myslivecek: Divertimento No. 6 in C Major

18. OPEN DUET ROMANTIC INTERMEDIATE

Stephanie Chang & Serena Wei

R. Schumann: Op. 85 No. 10 Hide and Go Seek

19. SHOWCASE PIANO SOLO JUNIOR 4

Amber Chen

Isaak Berkovich: Variations on a Theme of Paganini

20. TREASURY OF CHINESE COMPOSERS INTERMEDIATE- SENIOR 1

ZiHan Zhou

H.S. Zhao: The Soaring Eagle

21. SHOWCASE PIANO SOLO INTERMEDIATE 1

Sora Corro

Beethoven: Adagio-Allegro (1st mvt) Sonata, Op. 78 in F# Major

22. TREASURY OF CLASSICAL COMPOSERS SENIOR 1

Sophie Deng

Mozart: Allegro (1st Mvt.) from Sonata K.279 in C Major

23. SHOWCASE INSTRUMENTAL DUET INTERMEDIATE

Karen Matsui & Serena She

Beethoven: Allegro (1st mvt) from Sonata #5, Op. 24 in F Major

24. SHOWCASE PIANO CONCERTO JUNIOR

Sharon Lin

*Mozart: Allegro maestoso (1st mvt) fr. Concerto #21, K.467 in C major
accomp. Carina Wu*

Order	Event Name	Prize	Contestant Name(s)
1	Showcase Piano Solo Junior - Grp 1	1st	Ravelio Prasetya
		2nd	Grace Cao
		3rd	Zachary Jecha
		3rd	Isabella Xu
		3rd	Eric Gabrilovich
		4th	Stelly Fong
		4th	Lewis Hu
		4th	Ella Chow
		4th	Elizabeth Chang
2	Baroque Intermediate - Grp 3	1st	Jeremy Yeoh
		2nd	Gracie Xie
		2nd	Qian-Yuan Steven Liu
		2nd	Isabllle Wang
		3rd	Chloe Chiem
		3rd	Aidric Lin
		3rd	Elia Rainbow Hong
		4th	Elizabeth Chang
		4th	Priyanka Shenoy
4th	Elijah Chang		
3	Classical Intermediate - Grp 2	1st	Jonathan Chen
		2nd	Caroline Guan
		2nd	Aiden Pham
		2nd	Tim Xia
		3rd	Ethan Huang
		3rd	Sophie Liang
		3rd	Chenxi Ning
		4th	Thomas Tai
		4th	Ryker Gao
		4th	Marcus Ko
4th	Ivy Xu		

4	USA Intermediate - Grp 2	1st	Ryan Liu
		2nd	Jacob Zhao
		2nd	Ashlynn Liu
		3rd	Jeremy Yeoh
		3rd	Ethan Jeong
		3rd	Alyssa Ackalloor
		4th	Andrew Sohn
		4th	Ariya nabi
5	Romantic Intermediate - Grp 2	1st	Shihan Tang
		2nd	Aiden Pham
		2nd	Logan Chung
		2nd	Xuanlin Chen
		3rd	Chloe Zheng
		3rd	Irene Zhang
		3rd	Yui Goto
		4th	Ivy Xu
6	20th-21st Century Intermediate	1st	Van Giang Chu
		2nd	Oscar Yin
		2nd	Muchen Yao
		3rd	Grace Xie
		3rd	Jason Chang
		4th	Ziyue Niu
		4th	Priyanka Shenoy
		4th	Xuanyu Chen

7	Showcase Piano Solo Junior - Grp 2	1st	William Chen
		2nd	David He
		2nd	Emily Fang
		3rd	Hiroshi Corro
		3rd	Ivy Cui
		3rd	Olyvia Mroczek
		4th	Edward Xiong
		4th	Kirsten Huang
		4th	Aiden He-Gottschalk
8	Baroque Intermediate - Grp 4	1st	Phabian Parra
		2nd	Rui-Wen Lin
		2nd	Ishani Dasgupta
		2nd	Xuanlin Chen
		3rd	Chloe Lin
		3rd	Maximus Choi
		3rd	Siddharth Shastry
		3rd	Kei Horie
		4th	Bingwen Chu
		4th	Annabelle Mao
		4th	Misha Uberoy
9	Classical Intermediate - Grp 3	1st	Kaylee Zhou
		2nd	Ange Zou
		3rd	Selena Zhang
		3rd	Rui-Wen Lin
		3rd	Elsie Okumoto
		3rd	Matthew Peng
		4th	Elise Kim
		4th	Karlyne Li
		4th	Grace Zou
		4th	Alicia Wu
		4th	Charlotte Wang

10	Romantic Intermediate - Grp 3	1st	Lucas Xu
		2nd	Matthew Sihotang
		2nd	Chloe zhu
		3rd	Zixian Huang
		3rd	Felicia Lin
		4th	Zizhen Yang
		4th	Matthew Loo
		4th	Arjun Bhate
11	Open Solo 5A	1st	Kenny Li
		2nd	Audrey Tang
		3rd	Priyanka Shenoy
		4th	Stephanie Chag
		4th	Paige Chow
12	Open Solo 5B	1st	Grace Xie
		2nd	Liesel Radityo
		3rd	Hiroshi Corro
		3rd	Chenghang Yang
		3rd	Matthew Loo
		4th	Celine Hairr
		4th	Grace Liu
		4th	Luca Song
13	Open Solo 5C	1st	Gabriella Kant
		2nd	Katherine Yoo
		2nd	Timothy Hoang
		2nd	Olivia Hung
		3rd	Kenny Li
		3rd	Yiling Sun
		3rd	Caden Li
		4th	Marilyn Aalami-Ho
		4th	Matthew Sihotang
		4th	Cindy Y. Lu

14	Showcase Piano Solo Junior 3	1st	Jaylen Wei
		2nd	Emma Xia
		2nd	Arjun Jog
		2nd	Annie Li
		3rd	Edward Han
		3rd	Ryan Miller
		3rd	Zoe Zhang
		3rd	Ashley Zhou
		4th	Chenhao Zhang
		4th	Emily Yuan
		4th	Kyra Wang
15	Showcase Instrumental Solo Intermediate - Grp 1	1st	Jennifer Kang
		2nd	Olivia Park
		2nd	Claire Yang
		2nd	Caasey Kim
		3rd	Shonna Foo
		3rd	Rohana Nadkarni
		4th	Alex Tu
		4th	Sophie Choi
		4th	Lauren Gonzales
16	Baroque Intermediate - Grp 5	1st	Minh-Hieu Vu
		2nd	Yinan Yuan
		2nd	Caroline Chen
		2nd	Kylie shim
		3rd	Eric Zeng
		3rd	Max Zu
		3rd	Derek Tang
		4th	Paige Tsai
		4th	Claire Qi
		4th	Chloe Barlow

17	Classical Intermediate - Grp 4	1st	Austin Lin
		2nd	Bingwen Chu
		3rd	Grace Tang
		3rd	Jane Lee
		3rd	Emily He
		4th	Caroline Chen
		4th	Leo Sun
		4th	Nao Sawaguchi
18	Open Duet Romantic Intermediate	1st	Stephanie Chang & Serena Wei
		2nd	Hiroshi Corro & Sora Corro
		2nd	Angie Zou & Andrew Zou
		3rd	Chenxi Ning & Derek Tang
		4th	Zoe Zhao & Chloe Yi
19	Showcase Piano Solo Junior - Grp 4	1st	Amber Chen
		2nd	Paxton Radityo
		2nd	Will Hwang
		3rd	Albert Lai
		3rd	Yichen Hwang
		3rd	Aidric Lin
		3rd	Matthew Sihotang
		4th	Nikolai Bryant
		4th	Lucas Sun
		4th	Alice Tie
		4th	Audrey Hou

20	Chinese Intermediate-Senior - Grp 1	1st	ZiHan Zhou
		2nd	Jonathan Xu
		2nd	Xuanlin Chen
		2nd	Angie Zou
		3rd	Austin Lin
		3rd	Tanya tianxin Xu
		3rd	Caroline Chen
		4th	Susanna Khubchandni
		4th	Shujun Han
		4th	Savannah lu
21	Showcase Piano Solo Intermediate - Grp 1	1st	Sora Corro
		2nd	Harvy Chang
		2nd	Ishan Mysore
		2nd	Sydney Majaya
		3rd	Albert Du
		3rd	Zixuan Qinn
		3rd	Vivian Wu
		4th	Jason Ham
		4th	Aiden Zhou
22	Classical Senior - Grp 1	1st	Sophie Deng
		2nd	Momo Okubo
		3rd	Melody Song
		3rd	Chloe Ho
		4th	Lucas Du
		4th	Cindy Y. Lu
		4th	Adwita Ram
		4th	Amy Zhao

23	Showcase Duet Intermediate	1st	Karen Matsui (Piano) & Serena She (Violin)
		2nd	Kellyn Hu (Marimba) & Garrett Guo (Vibraphone)
		3rd	Claire Yang (Violin) & Sandra Choi (Violin)
		4th	Christine Wang (Cello) & Victorine Wang (Piano)
24	Showcase Piano Concerto Junior	1st	Sharon Lin
		2nd	Amber Chen
		2nd	Jessi Lin
		3rd	Nikolai Bryant
		3rd	Leon Sun
		3rd	Yichen Huang
		4th	Paxton Radityo
		4th	Hiroshi Corro
25	Sight-Reading Piano Solo Intermediate	1st	Elijah Guan
		2nd	Brayden Fung
		3rd	Evan Thomas Lam
		4th	Serena Wei